Alaska Energy Cost Reduction Program Progress Report

Grantee: Alaska Power Company (a/k/a Alaska Power and Telephone Company)

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Period of Report: Second Quarter 2006 (April 1 through June 30 '06)

Project Name: Tok-Chistochina Regional Intertie Project (Denali)

Project activities completed:

Chistochina Line Extension

- APT staff met with Ahtna, BLM, and DNR regarding permitting issues
- Utility easement with Ahtna is in the permitting application process
- Obtained some of the required deeds and easements from the landowners

Chistochina River Bridge

- Site assessment was conducted
- Steamed the conduit to thaw the ice
- Water was vacuumed out of the conduit

Slana Distribution System

- BLM conducted site visits in the entire 4-Mile Settlement Area, permission was finally granted for APC to start construction of primary line.
- BLM requested copies of all land dwellers patents and bills of sales were submitted for ownership verification.
- Approximately 4.5 miles of right-of-way was cleared, 20 three-phase primary and 24 single-phase poles have been set.
- Arrangements were made for NPS personnel to be on site for clearing and pole installations on the Betty Freed property

Project existing or potential problems:

- Archaeological and cultural findings during ground disturbing activities slow or halt construction with the potential to change pole placement or route.
- Material prices continue to escalate and availability hampered with the rebuilding of Iraq and storm damaged areas of the U.S.

Activities Targeted for Next Reporting Period, Third Quarter 2006:

Chistochina Line Extension

- Continued work with permits
- Meeting with the local residents for preliminary site surveys and to acquire needed paperwork

- Set riser poles, pull cable, and complete Chisto Bridge URD attachment
- Flag & stake the proposed power line route

Slana Distribution System

- Frame & set the remainder of primary poles
- String, sag, clip conductor
- Complete the last of secondary services